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APPOMATTOX COUNTY POPULATION

Preliminary figures from the Census Bureau show the 1950 population of Appomattox to be 8,862. This is a four per cent loss from the 9,020 of 1940.

Final figures, accompanied by factual data on population movement trends, may reveal what happened in the decade to take nearly 400 people from this county.

Buckingham County had a loss of 8.4 per cent. Cumberland County lost 3.4 per cent. Charlotte County lost 15.7 per cent. Amherst County lost 3.3 per cent. Nelson County lost 14.7 per cent. Prince Edward gained 3 per cent and Campbell gained 11.5 per cent.

The 100 counties in Virginia had a net gain of 18.8 per cent, and the entire state had a net gain of 22.1 per cent.

Alexandria, Falls Church, Norfolk, Portsmouth and Roanoke had big percentage increases among the cities. And Arlington County jumped from 57,040 in 1940 to an amazing 135,240 in 1950: a jump of 137.1 per cent. Elizabeth City County increased 68.4 per cent. Norfolk County increased from 35,858 to 99,350; 177.3 per cent. Princess Anne County was up 124.9 per cent. Warwick County increased from 9,248 in 1940 to 37,432 in 1950: 323.6 per cent!

Figures such as the above call for lots of study. Population shifts are normal in fast-moving America. Appomattox County should not be too disturbed over its 4 per cent loss. And we state that because we are convinced that our economy is far sounder now than it was ten years ago. We have better soils and better farms now than in 1940. We have firmer pay rolls and expanded facilities for supporting higher standards of living. We believe our educational average is higher and community spirit is more progressive. Appomattox County offers, in our opinion, a better chance to make a living in 1950 than at any period in all its history. We look for continued growth in living standards, housing, and pay-rolls and retail trade. It is better for it to be this way.

A TENSE SITUATION

The United States is still new to the responsibilities of world leadership. Until World War I we were able to remain aloof from the ills constantly upsetting the tranquility of Mother Earth. The balances of power centered in Europe, and we filled out our geographical and economic and political frontiers.

Since 1920, were groped toward a foreign policy, proceeding sometimes with over-caution, yet again with the abandon of inexperienced youth. Since 1945 we have been thrust by events into full position of world leadership. All in all, we have not done too badly, but it cannot be denied that the title of world leader carries with it a fabulous burden of responsibility.

We were not prepared for what is happening and what will happen in Korea. But we are in a situation from which only shrewd judgment and lucky breaks can save us.

Ere the picture in Korea is restored, Russia may well have been able to achieve too-thin dispersal of our available armed forces.

French forces are low largely tied up in Indo-China. Very few British ground forces are available beyond those in the British Zone of West Germany. If now we have to concentrate quantities of our ground and air power under MacIrthur in order to retrieve the 38th parallel in Korea, the danger of outbreaks is most important areas finding us hopelessly outnumbered is a risk of the first order. For were the Soviet truly planning war against the U. S A., the effort would certainly not be based in Korea. Could be that the Korean episode is just: a move to scatter our power.

Britain was successful for many decades as a world power in handling episodes such as the Korean affair because she managed to have native forces in position to do considerable ground fighting. Britainalways had first-class fighters available in the form of divisions from India, South Africa, Australia, etc.

Today Russia can prolong the fighting in Korea without having to resort to Red Army troops from vital fronts. Doubtless the Chinese Communists could throw unlimited and well trained manpower into North Korea.

But the United States has no satterlite divisions to pour into the impending battle. Chiang is said to have offered three divisions from Formosa. But we doubt if they are capable, if used, to turn the tide. Certainly, Chiang's divisions did not fare well against the Chinese Reds. Unless we become desperate for troops, Chiang's troops will be left on Formosa.

Nor do the Philippines have trained divisions to offer us. Nor do our neighbors to the south. Outside of token naval and air support, we may have to furnish the mass of ground troops in Korea: an event which would not displease the Soviet.

From time to time the question has been raised of forming Japanese and West German divisions. There is vast manpower available, but we are probably too close to the battle memories of the early forties to rightly expect our former opponents to do our ground fighting for us now!

So there you are. Russia is in the position of not having to make a quick decision in Korea. She can take her time, making her decision at a moment most suitable to her.

Uncle Sam learns rapidly and we have a great reservoir of armed power. We have no doubt but what it will be judiciously distributed.

WITH OTHER EDITORS

GRADUATING CLASS THANKS TAXPAYERS FOR EDUCATION

(Hopewell News)

When the graduating class at a high school thinks so highly of their school and the education they have received that they voluntarily bought space in their local newspapers to thank the taxpayers—that is news!

That is exactly what happened at Sharon, Pennsylvania. We quote from "Editor and Publisher," the weekly magazine of the newspaper field, this unique story:

"The youth of America has been depicted as a generation of devil-may-care, hell-bent-for-election, inconsiderate, unappreciative, bunch of scatter-brains. We haven't subscribed to that school of thought, but every now and then the reports escapades of some bunch of youngsters has made us wonder.

"If you happened to read the May 27th issue of the Sharon, Pennsylvania, Herald, you would had a pleasant jolt, as we did. There in 11 inches on four columns was an ad signed: 'With Trust In the Future, Class of 1950, Sharon High School.'

"We learn from the Herald that the ad was entirely unsolicited—it was apparently the students' own idea. And the copy will be an eye opener for those who happen to look at teen-agers with a jaundiced and skeptical eye.

"'After twelve years of free public education, we the class of 1950 now take our place with the thousands of other men and women who are capable, if used, to turn the tide. Certainly, Chiang's divisions did not fare well against the Chinese Reds. Unless we become desperate for troops, Chiang's troops will be left on Formosa.

"To you, the supporters of the Sharon School District, we, the graduating class of Sharon High School, wish by means of this notice to express our appreciation for this education. Through the years from the primary grades to our four high school years we have gained knowledge of our nation and the world.

"'We have learned the fundamentals of citizenship and democracy, and we have been prepared to be you next year in the ranks of functioning citizens and taxpayers. To those of us who may strive for higher education you have given us a groundwork for this continued learning.

"'Thus, through your tax-dollars, you, Sharon citizens, have given the priceless gift of education for better living to two hundred and forty-eight more future citizens.

"'You have given us the expert teaching that has put Sharon Schools on the top level of the country's public school systems, the administration that has worked for our betterment, and the Board of Education that has voluntarily assumed our welfare as a public trust. You could give us no greater gift than the gift of education.

"'In our appreciation for this gift we shall attempt to utilize its power in becoming better citizens, and we shall try to stand worthily beside you in continuing your good efforts in behalf of the children who will come after us.'

"With kids like that coming out of our schools it augurs well for the good old U. S. A. We'll bet it made the taxpayers of Sharon sit up and take notice of the up-and-coming generation."

It would be guilding the lily to add anything to the above, as reported by Robert U. Brown in Editor and Publisher. But—we would bet that it made the taxpayers of Sharon feel a lot better about their school taxes.

HALFWAY

(The New York Times)

July, and the year is half done. Thanks to a calendar that overlaps the seasons, we have already tasted winter, spring and summer, and before January comes again we shall know more of summer, all of autumn, and winter again. By thus playing with the calendar one could almost persuade one's self that one has two summers every year. Which would not be so bad, except that such an arrangement would bring only one spring and only one autumn. And there would be two winters.

The year is half gone. Where did it go? The answer depends on the answerer, and particularly on his place. Time is relative, and not only in the sense that space is curved. Springtime is full of youth and growth, and autumn is a time of fruition and maturity. But summer is a time between the two, when days are long and bud has become blossom but not yet seed. In the large sense, summer is ease and plenty, an end of spring's haste and a pause before autumn's showdown.

The year is half gone, but summer is little more than begun. The trees were only yesterday in bud; their leafy sumtrees are still eager for the long daylight. Cherries ripen with patriotic color for a day of patriotism, but the gardens have just begun to yield. Meadows are daisy-dappled and full of buttercups, but they have scarcely lost the freshness of summer's first gleaming dew. Blackberries are yet seedy hints of fullness, and blueberries are still forming, and you have to look twice to see the beginnings of early apples.

Halfway from January to January, the time ahead looks long. Which is as it should be in any summer. At least once each year there should be a time outside of time to enjoy for itself alone. And who could pick a better season for it than July?

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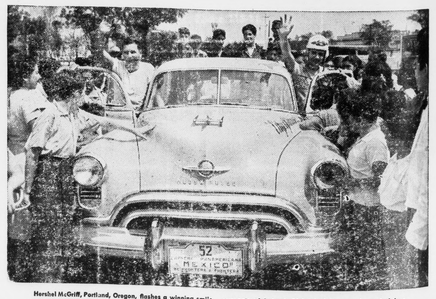

Hershel McGriff, Portland, Oregon, flashes a winning smile after piloting his "88" to victory! 132 American and foreign cars entered, but only 53 finished the rugged run. *And three of the first ten and six of the first twenty were Oldsmobiles!*

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Richwood

Richwood, July 4.- "No matter what the words may be, a song of woe will never make a hit." -Quotes.

Services at Wesley Chapel at 3 P. M. Sunday.

Week-end visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Pugh were Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Marsh, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Woodall, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tomlyn, Miss Frances Walker, Mrs. E. R. Davis and children, Loretta and Preston; Miss Thelma Dickerson, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Powell and son, Ray. Mrs. J. H. Fleshman and son, J. H., spent Friday night in this home.

Earl Williamson and children visited with Mr. and Mrs. John Moore Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Godsey were the guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Giles.

Tony Guill was in Lynchburg on business Monday.

Mrs. Jessie Blazer and children spent the week-end in Lynchburg.

Miss Marvis Wooldridge was the guest Saturday afternoon of Mrs. D. A. Pugh.

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Pamplin

Pamplin, July 4.- Week-end guests in the home of Mrs. L. M. Southall and Mrs. H. M. Robinson were Mr. and Mrs. Elton King and son, Steve, of Suffolk; Miss Ernestine Southall, of Norfolk, and Mr. and Mrs. Acree Southall, of Farmville.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bessermer and children, Richard and Caroline Ann, are spending the week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. D. Canada.

Week-end guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Dickerson were Mrs. H. E. Martin and children, of Portsmouth; Mrs. Hungate and son, of Christiansburg and Braxton Dickerson, of Portsmouth.

Miss Betty Floyd, of Prospect, spent the week-end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. McCleney.

Recent guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Southall were Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Owen, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Anderson and children, Owen and Sandra, of Chatham, and Mrs. Carrington Coffee, of Lynchburg.

Billy Watson Southall, of Chase City spent Sunday here with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Rolland Campbell and family, of Lynchburg spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gilliam.

Miss Copeland Johnson, of Charlottesville is visiting Miss Mary Rives Black.

Southern States Annual Meeting

Farmer-owners of Southern States Cooperative in the Appomattox area will hold their annual membership meeting Friday, July 14, at 8:30 P. M., at the high school auditorium, Appomattox. Chairman of the meeting will be Clarence F. Moore, of Appomattox.

Highlights of the meeting will include the report on local agency operations by Twyman Coleman, the presentation of the Southern States annual report by R. R. Feagans, of Richmond., Va., the election of local board members and farm bonus advisory committee members, and a quiz contest.

Nominees for the Southern States Advisory Board are Fred Wooldridge, John Cole and C. D. Lewis, of Appomattox, and Richard Harris, of Spout Spring.

Nominees for the Southern States Appomattox Farm Home Advisory Committee are Mrs. E. W. Marshall, Spout Spring; Mrs. Randall Wooldridge, Evergreen; Mrs. Clayton Drinkard, Stonewall, and Mrs. Alton Moore, Appomattox.

Gladstone

Gladstone, July 1.- H. A. Cobb and Clyde Hornsley, of Pittsburgh, Pa. are spending several days at their homes here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Woody, accompanied by their daughter, Mrs. Mary Belle Booth, and grandson, Joseph Booth have returned from Urbanna and a fishing trip on the Rappahannock River.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Banton and sons attended the funeral of Mrs. J Burley at the Presbyterian Church in Amherst Thursday.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Payne and family this week were Mr. and Mrs. I. R. Draper from Warminster; Mrs. Landon Campbell, of Lovington, and Spike Joyner, of New Orleans.

Mrs. J. Edgar Banton has returned from Madison Heights, where she visited her daughter, Mrs. C. E. Dean and family.

FROZEN FOODS: VIII

By Roy E. Moser, Jr., Fruit and Vegetable Processing Specialist, Extension Service, VPI

A good frozen food deserves a good package. No matter how good the food is when we freeze it, if the package is of low quality the food will soon lose quality.

The chief requirement of a good package is that it be made of a moisture-vapor -resistant material. This means more than just being able to hold water. The package must also keep in the water vapor, and keep out the oxygen. Tin cans and glass jars would seem best from this respect, but various other materials will give satisfactory service.

There are many suitable packages on the market today. Your locker operator sells several types. Heavily waxed cartons with tight covers are satisfactory. Some have a plastic cover which gives a good seal. These are suitable, particularly for fruits which are packed in syrup.

For fruits without syrup and for vegetables, a package consisting of one of the plastic liners protected by a cardboard box is even better. Some types of cellophane, pliofilm and other plastics have been treated to make them moisture-proof-resistant, and can be heat-sealed also. These films have been laminated to heavy paper to give them strength.

The shape of the package should also be considered. Round packages waste locker space, the trend is toward rectangular packages. A thin rectangular package permits more rapid freezing than a cube. It also thaws quicker when it is to be used.

Some of the packages can be washed, and re-used. This cuts the packaging cost without cutting the quality of the package.

If we package properly we can go a long way toward keeping our frozen foods garden-fresh. A poor package is bound to cause loss of quality and vitamins. Have your locker operator help you pick the right package to fit your needs. Remember a good frozen food deserves a good package.

Speakers Named For Youth Camp

Keynote speakers for the rural youth leadership training camp at Virginia Beach, August 17-20, have been named by W. W. Eure, rural youth specialist for the Agricultural Extension Service at V. P. I.

They include: Dr. Paul F. Saunders, editor of the Southern Planter, who will discuss "Rural Youth and National Farm Organizations"; L. R. Dietrick, director of the Extension Service, who will discuss "The Extension Program for Rural Youth' and B. L. Hummel, Extension Sociologist, who will discuss "What the European Situation means to the Future of America."

Howard Mast, recreation director for the City of Suffolk has been employed to teach classes in recreation leadership at the camp. Other instructors include: Dr. W. E. Skelton, associate state boys' leader; Miss Lucy Blake, district Extension agent; Earl Shiflet, deputy, Virginia State Grange; Miss Catherine Peery, Extension rural arts specialist, and Eure.

Eure says the program is planned to interest any young man or woman between 18 and 30 years of age. Those interested in attending should contact either their county farm or home agent. Advance registrations are required.

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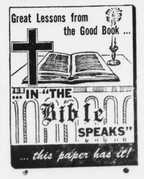

IN "THE Bible SPEAKS" ... this paper has it!

TOBACCO FIELD DAYS SCHEDULED IN JULY

Tobacco demonstrations on both Negro and white farms in ten counties will be inspected by farmers and professional workers at a series of field days in July.

G. R. Mathews, associate agronomist, and S. B. Fenne, plant disease specialist, will be in charge.

To be discussed are varietal demonstrations, production practices and plant disease control.

The meetings will be held in:

Franklin County, July 11; Cumberland County, July 12; Nansemond and Sussex Counties, July 13; Prince Edward and Cumberland, July 17; Amelia, July 18; Nottoway, July 19; Lunenburg, July 20; and Lunenburg, Brunswick and Mecklenburg, July 21.

County agents can give details as to places and times.

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